

1 BEFORE THE ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

2 In the Matter of

3 **Thomas R. Hansen, M.D.**

4 Applicant for Licensure #18493
5 For the Practice of Allopathic Medicine
6 In the State of Arizona.

Case No. MD-14-0906A

**ORDER GRANTING PROBATIONARY
LICENSE AND CONSENT TO THE
SAME**

7 Thomas R. Hansen, M.D. ("Respondent"), elects to permanently waive any right to
8 a hearing and appeal with respect to this Order granting his application for licensure
9 subject to terms and conditions for probation; admits the jurisdiction of the Arizona Medical
10 Board ("Board"); and consents to the entry of this Order by the Board.

11 **FINDINGS OF FACT**

12 1. The Board is the duly constituted authority for the regulation and control of
13 the practice of allopathic medicine in the State of Arizona.

14 2. Respondent is an applicant for licensure for the practice of allopathic
15 medicine in the State of Arizona.

16 3. Respondent previously held license #18493 for the practice of allopathic
17 medicine in the State of Arizona from February 24, 1989 through July 10, 2011.

18 4. The Board initiated case number MD-14-0906A after Respondent submitted
19 his application for medical licensure in which he answered "yes" to Background Questions
20 2, 4, 5, 6, and 9.

21 5. On January 2, 2014, Respondent entered into a Stipulation and Order ("Utah
22 Order") with the Utah Department of Commerce Division of Occupational and Professional
23 Licensing ("Utah DOPL") attached as Exhibit 1. As part of the Utah Order, Respondent
24 stipulated to certain findings of fact and conclusions of law that are more fully set forth in
25 the Utah Order, and incorporated herein by reference.

1 6. The Board considered Respondent's application for licensure at its
2 November 5, 2014 Board meeting. The Board received statements from Cobre Valley
3 Regional Medical Center ("Cobre Valley") stating that Cobre Valley was informed of the
4 Utah Order, and that Cobre Valley was willing to comply with its applicable terms and
5 conditions. Respondent also provided information regarding his compliance with the Utah
6 Order.

7 7. After reviewing Respondent's case, the Board voted to grant licensure,
8 subject to probationary conditions, namely that the Respondent remain compliant with his
9 Utah Order, and be employed solely by Cobre Valley. The Board further voted that once
10 Respondent has completed the Utah Order, and obtained a release from its terms and
11 conditions, Respondent may request an unrestricted Arizona medical license.

12 **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

13 a. The Board possesses jurisdiction over the subject matter hereof and over
14 Respondent and may issue probationary licenses pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1427(H).

15 b. The conduct and circumstances described above constitute unprofessional
16 conduct pursuant to A.R.S. § 32-1401(27)(a) ("[V]iolating any federal or state laws, rules or
17 regulations applicable to the practice of medicine.").

18 **ORDER**

19 IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:

20 1. Respondent's application for license #18493 is granted subject to the
21 following probationary conditions:

22 2. Respondent is placed on Probation for a period of time equal to the length of
23 the Utah Order, which is three years, commencing on January 2, 2014.

24 3. During the period of Probation, Respondent shall remain compliant with the
25 terms of the Utah Order at all times.

1 4. Respondent's practice is restricted to employment with Cobre Valley for the
2 duration of his Probation. In the event that Respondent ceases employment with Cobre
3 Valley, he shall contact the Board within five days of the termination of his employment.

4 5. Respondent shall authorize Utah DOPL to communicate with Board staff
5 regarding the status of his compliance with the Utah Order, including providing the Board
6 with a point of contact, executing any releases necessary to facilitate full communication
7 between the Board and the Utah DOPL and allowing Utah DOPL to contact the Board
8 directly in the event that Respondent is no longer in compliance with the Utah Order.

9 6. Respondent shall also comply with the following terms and conditions:

10 a. **Obey All Laws**

11 Respondent shall obey all state, federal and local laws, all rules governing
12 the practice of medicine in Arizona, and remain in full compliance with any court ordered
13 criminal probation, payments and other orders.

14 b. **Tolling**

15 In the event Respondent should leave Arizona to reside or practice outside
16 the State or for any reason should Respondent stop practicing medicine in Arizona,
17 Respondent shall notify the Executive Director in writing within ten days of departure and
18 return or the dates of non-practice within Arizona. Non-practice is defined as any period of
19 time exceeding thirty days during which Respondent is not engaging in the practice of
20 medicine. Periods of temporary or permanent residence or practice outside Arizona or of
21 non-practice within Arizona, will not apply to the reduction of the probationary period.

22 c. **Probation Termination**

23 Prior to the termination of Probation, Respondent must submit a written
24 request to the Board for release from the terms of this Order. Respondent's request for
25 release will be placed on the next pending Board agenda to determine whether

1 Respondent is eligible for a full, unrestricted Arizona medical license, provided a complete
2 submission is received by Board staff no less than 14 days prior to the Board meeting.
3 Respondent's request for release must provide the Board with evidence establishing that
4 he has successfully satisfied all of the terms and conditions of this Order. The Board has
5 the sole discretion to determine whether all of the terms and conditions of this Order have
6 been met or whether to take any other action that is consistent with its statutory and
7 regulatory authority.

8 7. The Board retains jurisdiction and may initiate new action against
9 Respondent based upon any violation of this Order.

10 DATED AND EFFECTIVE this 20th day of November, 2014.

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12 ARIZONA MEDICAL BOARD

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14 By Patricia E. McSorley
15 Patricia E. McSorley
16 Interim Acting Executive Director

17 **CONSENT TO ENTRY OF ORDER**

18 1. Respondent has read and understands this Consent Agreement and the
19 stipulated Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law and Order ("Order"). Respondent
20 acknowledges he has the right to consult with legal counsel regarding this matter.

21 2. Respondent acknowledges and agrees that this Order is entered into freely
22 and voluntarily and that no promise was made or coercion used to induce such entry.

23 3. By consenting to this Order, Respondent voluntarily relinquishes any rights to
24 a hearing or judicial review in state or federal court on the matters alleged, or to challenge
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1 this Order in its entirety as issued by the Board, and waives any other cause of action
2 related thereto or arising from said Order.

3 4. The Order is not effective until approved by the Board and signed by its
4 Executive Director.

5 5. All admissions made by Respondent are solely for final disposition of this
6 matter and any subsequent related administrative proceedings or civil litigation involving
7 the Board and Respondent. Therefore, said admissions by Respondent are not intended
8 or made for any other use, such as in the context of another state or federal government
9 regulatory agency proceeding, civil or criminal court proceeding, in the State of Arizona or
10 any other state or federal court.

11 6. Upon signing this agreement, and returning this document (or a copy thereof)
12 to the Board's Executive Director, Respondent may not revoke the consent to the entry of
13 the Order. Respondent may not make any modifications to the document. Any
14 modifications to this original document are ineffective and void unless mutually approved
15 by the parties.

16 7. This Order is a public record that will be publicly disseminated as a formal
17 disciplinary action of the Board and will be reported to the National Practitioner's Data
18 Bank and on the Board's web site as a disciplinary action.

19 8. If any part of the Order is later declared void or otherwise unenforceable, the
20 remainder of the Order in its entirety shall remain in force and effect.

21 9. If the Board does not adopt this Order, Respondent will not assert as a
22 defense that the Board's consideration of the Order constitutes bias, prejudice,
23 prejudgment or other similar defense.

24 10. Any violation of this Order constitutes unprofessional conduct and may result
25 in disciplinary action. A.R.S. § § 32-1401(27)(r) ("[v]iolating a formal order, probation,

1 consent agreement or stipulation issued or entered into by the board or its executive
2 director under this chapter.") and 32-1451.

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4 11. ***Respondent has read and understands the conditions of probation.***

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THOMAS R. HANSEN, M.D.

DATED: 11/17/14

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9 EXECUTED COPY of the foregoing mailed
this 20th day of November, 2014 to:

10 Thomas R. Hansen, M.D.
11 Address of Record

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13 ORIGINAL of the foregoing filed
this 20th day of November, 2014 with:

14 Arizona Medical Board
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18 Board Staff

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